

Amendments to the Claims:

1 (currently amended): A method for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

 automatically selecting global address list (GAL) contacts for a user to include on the device in addition to a user's personal contacts that are already stored on the device;

 removing any duplicates from the GAL contacts to ensure that the GAL contacts are unique from the user's personal contacts;

 preparing the GAL contacts; and

 providing the GAL contacts to the device; wherein the GAL contacts are automatically incorporated with the user's personal contacts and wherein a display of the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable from the user's personal contacts when displayed together within a contact view on the device; wherein the user's personal contacts are treated differently from the provided GAL contacts such that the user's personal contacts are maintained during a synchronization that updates the provided GAL contacts.

2 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from determining contacts included within a user's communications comprising: a user's phone calls; a user's emails; a user's SMS messages; a user's IM messages; and a user's meetings.

3 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from a user's emails, including obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

4 (original): The method of Claim 1, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

5 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, further comprising determining when one of the GAL contacts on the device is removed by the user; and when one of the GAL contacts on the device is removed by the user preventing the removed GAL contact from being provided to the device during the synchronization.

6 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, further comprising determining when the user edits one of the GAL contacts on the device; and when the user has edited one of the GAL contacts on the device making the one of the GAL contacts one of the personal contacts on the user's device.

7 (previously presented): The method of Claim 3, further comprising limiting the number of GAL contacts provided to the device.

8 (previously presented): The method of Claim 3, further comprising maintaining a user snapshot list outside of the device that is related to the GAL contacts for the user; wherein the user snapshot excludes the user's personal contacts.

9 (currently amended): The method of Claim 3, wherein the GAL contacts are obtained from a GAL store on a server. ~~further comprising displaying the GAL contacts along with the user's personal contacts wherein the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable from the user's personal contacts.~~

10 (currently amended): A system for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

a device including a communications connection, a data store, a display, and a processor that is configured to perform the following actions, including:

connecting to a network using the communications connection to perform a synchronization;

receiving an update list from the network containing information to update global address list (GAL) contacts that are unique from a user's personal contacts and are in addition to the user's personal contacts; wherein the GAL contacts are synchronized

differently from the user's personal contacts; and wherein the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable within a contact view from the user's personal contacts;

updating the GAL contacts;

storing the updated GAL contacts in the data store;

displaying the GAL contacts on the display; and when an edit is made to one of the GAL contacts while stored on the device adding the edited GAL contact as a personal contact to the user's personal contacts on the device ;

a server including a communications connection, a data store, and a processor that is configured to perform the following actions, including:

obtaining the global address list (GAL) contacts for the user;

preparing an update list based on the GAL contacts in the data store on the device and the obtained GAL contacts; and

providing the GAL contacts to a device over the network.

11 (previously presented): The system of Claim 10, wherein obtaining the global address list (GAL) contacts for the user, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from a user's emails.

12 (original): The system of Claim 11, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails, further comprises obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

13 (original): The system of Claim 12, further comprising obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

14 (previously presented): The system of Claim 11, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails further comprises accessing a mail server and retrieving a predetermined number of emails from a user's sent emails.

15 (original): The system of Claim 12, further comprising displaying the GAL contacts along with the user's personal contacts on the display.

16 (currently amended): A computer-readable storage medium including computer-executable instructions for populating a list of GAL contacts on a device, comprising:

beginning a synchronization session;

automatically selecting global address list (GAL) contacts for a user that are in addition to a user's personal contacts on the device and that are unique from the user's personal contacts from the user's emails; wherein the GAL contacts on the device are synchronized differently from the user's personal contacts on the device; and wherein the GAL contacts are visually distinguishable within a contact view on the device from the user's personal contacts; and

providing the GAL contacts to the device.

17 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein obtaining the GAL contacts from the user's emails, further comprises obtaining a primary addressee from each of a predetermined number of sent emails from the user.

18 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein automatically selecting the global GAL contacts, further comprises obtaining the GAL contacts from meeting requests.

19 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 16, wherein providing the GAL contacts to the device, further comprises providing updates to the device in order to update a GAL contact store on the device.

20 (previously presented): The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 17, further comprising maintaining a user snapshot list outside of the device that is related to the GAL contacts for the user.